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Application Srivastava et al. Confirmation No.: 1804  
of:  
Serial No.: 09/668,724 Art Unit: 1642  
Filed: September 22, 2000 Examiner: Christopher H. Yaen  
For: ALPHA (2) MACROGLOBULIN Attorney Docket No: 8449-128-999  
RECEPTOR AS A HEAT SHOCK  
PROTEIN RECEPTOR AND USES  
THEREOF

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

MAIL STOP RCE  
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Sir:

Pursuant to MPEP section 713.04, Applicant submits the following statement of the substance of a telephonic interview held on February 23, 2004 ("the Interview") between Primary Examiner Christopher H. Yaen and Supervisory Patent Examiner ("SPE") Anthony C. Caputa and Applicant's representatives Adriane M. Antler, Eileen Falvey, and Joseph Cahill in connection with the above-identified application.

During the Interview, the substance of the Advisory Action dated November 18, 2003 (Paper no. 20) was discussed. Dr. Antler pointed to the support in the application at page 4, lines 14 through 21, and page 12, lines 13 to 20, for the proviso in claims 31 and 71 excluding RAP and other compounds. Examiner Yaen and SPE Caputa said they would like some time to consider the matter. Subsequently, later that day, Examiner Yaen telephoned Dr. Antler and informed her that he and SPE Caputa agreed that the new matter rejection should be withdrawn, but that the clarifying amendment made on July 25, 2003 would require additional searches. Accordingly, Dr. Antler agreed that an RCE would be filed, requesting

entry of the Amendment filed July 25, 2003.

Applicant respectfully requests that the above statement be made of record in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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